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## $\frac{LOUISIANA\ STATE\ EXHIBIT\ MUSEUM}{TO\ CELEBRATE\ 20^{TH}\ ANNUAL\ GREENING\ OF\ THE\ MUSEUM}$

Kick off the holiday season at the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum! Secretary of State Jay Dardenne, the Friends of the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, the Junior League of Shreveport-Bossier and Caddo Parish schools announce the 20<sup>th</sup> annual greening of the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum will be held on Friday, Nov. 30 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This year's theme is "Native Americans of Louisiana: Past and Present."

Each year the museum invites third grade students for a day of Christmas celebration. Students enjoy the traditional tree decorating contest in which classes from each school will decorate a tree in this year's theme with ornaments they have made prior to the greening. Each class spends no more than \$30 making ornaments.

Students will also make ornaments that will adorn the museum's Christmas tree in the front lobby and enjoy a performance by the Opera Express before enjoying a picnic lunch. The morning ends with the announcement of the Christmas tree contest winners. The trees will be judged and awarded a first prize of \$150, a second prize of \$100, a third prize of \$75 and a fourth prize of \$50.

The museum Christmas tree and the students' trees will remain on display throughout the holiday season. The public is invited to view these holiday tidings during regular museum hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, noon until 4 p.m. The museum is located at 3015 Greenwood Road, between Hearne and Jewella Streets.

Admission is free and tours are available by appointment. For more information about the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum, or the Secretary of State's Museums Program, visit our Web site at <a href="http://www.sos.louisiana.gov/museums">http://www.sos.louisiana.gov/museums</a>.

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